

Members of Berkeley Stake Primary Shown In one of the Tableaux of the Christmas Pageant Presented at December Union Meeting



Left to right: Lula Borkman, Bertha Green, Beth Pierce, Margaret Davis, Lela Kaufman, Jan Hollender, Lila Hoffeltz, Jean Smith (on floor), Grace Clark, Marjean Wall. Under the direction of Stake Primary president, Annetta Wood, Berkeley Stake Board entertained the Ward Primary officers and teachers with a fine Christmas pageant at the Berkeley chapel. The pageant was written and directed and was staged by several ward Primary teachers.

Each ward Primary brought gifts which were sent to the Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City to help make a merry Christmas for the little patients. At the close of the program refreshments were served from table beautifully decorated with Christmas candles and berries.

Thrilling Testimonies of Eye Witnesses

Peter and John Continued As Long As They Lived to Bear Ferment Testimony That They Had Truly Beheld The Glory of the Son of God in the Flesh. The Declarations Here Presented Were Written When Peter and John Were Near the End of Their Ministries.

JOHN THE APOSTLE

A Good King by a Glorious Angel

King Benjamin. Also a Nephite Man of God. Learned Directly From An Angel the Fullness Of Christ Coming and His Messiahship. Below is Printed One of the Gems of Christian Literature.

KING BENJAMIN, THE NEPHITE PROPHET

Again, me brethren, I would call your attention, for I have somewhat more to speak unto you.

And the things which I shall tell you are made known unto me by an angel from God. And he said unto me, Awake; and I awoke, and behold, he stood before me.

And he said unto me, I have come to declare unto you the glad tidings of great joy.

For behold, the time cometh, and is not far distant, that with power the Lord Omnipotent who reigneth, who was, and is from all eternity to all eternity, shall come down from heaven, and among the children of men, and shall dwell in a tabernacle of clay, and shall go forth among the children of men, working mighty miracles, such as healing the sick, raising the dead, causing the lame to walk, and the deaf to receive their sight, and the deaf to hear, and curing all manner of diseases.

And he shall cast out devils, or the evil spirits that dwell in the hearts of the children of men.

And lo, he shall suffer hunger, thirst, and pain of body, hunger, thirst, and fatigue, even more than man can suffer, except it be unto death; for behold, blood cometh from every pore, so great shall be his anguish for the wickedness, and iniquities of his people.

And he shall be called Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Father of heaven and earth, the Creator of all things from the beginning, and his mother shall be called Mary.

And lo, he cometh unto his own that salvation might come unto the children of men, even through faith in his name; and even after all this they shall consider him a man, and say that he hath a devil, and shall scourge him, and shall crucify him.

And he shall rise the third day from the dead, and behold he standeth to judge the world; and behold, all these things are done that a righteous judgment might come upon the children of men.

For behold, and also his blood atoneth for the sins of all those who have fallen by the transgression of Adam, who have died not knowing the will of God concerning them, or who have ignorantly sinned.

But wo, wo unto him who knoweth that he rebelled against God! For salvation cometh to none except it be through repentance and faith on the Lord Jesus Christ.

—Mosesiah 3:1-12.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not.

That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world made him not.

He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believed on his name.

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Father, full of grace and truth.—John 1:1-14.

PETER

He said unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Peter answered and said, Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God.

Jesus answered and said, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona, for flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father which art in heaven.—Matt. 16:15-17.

PETER

Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them.

Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance.

For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

For he received from God the Father honor and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.

And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

—II Peter 1:13, 15-18.

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BYU Femininity . . . and so Forth

By MILDRED MORGAN
Alameda Ward

Recently I had the privilege of reading a letter from one of the boys attending BYU, and I quote the following from it. (It is self explanatory.)

We had the privilege of attending the Campus Branch Sunday school; it was truly an inspiring service with more than 100 students from all parts of the world in attendance. The services are planned and conducted solely by the students, although visiting authorities are sometimes called in to speak.

This morning the meeting was the most edifying I have attended in years—of course this last year's—because of the strong impression was strongly influenced by the unusual number of pretty girls in the audience. No fooling, never in my life had I seen such a dazzling array of femininity. Of course, I realize these BYU girls represent a cross-section of the nation's best.

Just from casual observation, if a fellow cannot find a suitable mate here, he may as well give up the idea.

Incidentally, the whole program here is ingeniously designed to promote matrimonial ideas among our young people.

They take pains to see that you get what you are looking for, even to the extent of listing all the student body names, addresses and telephones in a public place on the campus.

It's no wonder this school has been called a matrimonial bureau. But despite the disparaging remarks which might be said about this "meddling faculty," there is a friendly, wholesome spirit here which is hard to beat.

I am going to try my toe at football; have been training and believe I have won a place on the frosh team.

How'd they all get Tickets? Here Are Some of the Lucky Guys that Went To Rose Bowl Game

George Boyd went down with the Joseph Eyings, while the Dunhams took their family; and so did the Albert Brabys. Don and Annetta Wood took the whole Wood-y tribe, including their married daughter, Margery, from Salt Lake City and her hubby, Earl Remington. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor took some sort of a cross country route to the Pasadena town from Salt Lake City.

Among the single sports, male and female, not already included, who burned up the road to the south were Doug Ingham, Luana Ross, Ruth Cain, Bill Burnham, Darrel Danglerfield, Laurine Miles, Joan Hickman, Scott Bybee, Ken Schneider, Arthur Wood, Franklin Millward, John Widdell, Donna Erickson, Woodrow Bates, Carl and Harold Simons, Bill Vaughn, Jasper Jacobs, Flory Ann McAllister, Joyce Hill, Leyle and Carma Packrell, and Neil Christensen.

This is the sort of high standing profession that the local colony is pleased to welcome among their numbers. Coming from Idaho where he taught in secondary schools, Dr. Nelson has had three years daily college clinical work and two years connections with the Laguna Honda Hospital in San Francisco in training for his chosen profession.

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SUP TREK TO BE PART OF CALIFORNIA CENTENNIAL

(From the Los Angeles, "California Intermountain News")

The Mormon Battalion trek slated for March 13 to 19, 1950, will be a highlight of the California Centennial celebration for 1950, according to Edward T. Perkins, president of the Los Angeles Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers.

San Joaquin Stake: Notes from the Great Valley

By W. AIRD MACDONALD
Pres. Albert B. Grandall, counselor in the Stake Presidency, was released at the recent stake conference. He has moved to Sacramento due to business activities. Clifton A. Rooker, of the Stake High Council, was chosen to succeed him.

Two new members were also sustained to the Stake High Council: Dr. Glenn P. Vincent and Frank C. Higham. Dr. Vincent, formerly a member of the Stake Presidency of the San Francisco Stake, has recently moved to Modesto and opened medical offices. Elder Higham was a member of the Seventies' presidency.

A regional meeting of the four stakes, Northern California Welfare Region, was held in Sacramento Saturday, Nov. 5th. Elder Melvin G. Romney and Irwin B. Nydegger of the General Committee presented the proposed welfare budget for 1950 which consists largely of beef and barley.

A new regional coordinator, Howard B. Stene of Stockton, was sustained, with the release of Clifton A. Rooker, recently chosen as a member of the San Joaquin Stake Presidency.

Stockton ward is well represented at the BYU at Provo this year by Don W. Briggs, Richard Ricks, Paul Macdonald, Robert Driggs and Fred Stone.

This stake now has two missionaries in Uruguay, South America, Sheldon Nicolayson of Modesto, left November 5th and will join Ted Shumway of Stockton.

(Sorry this issue of the Messenger omitted from the December issue. Sorry, "Mac" Come again and we'll do it right. W. Aird started the Messenger.)

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Mr. Perkins was in Salt Lake City last week to confer with SUP leaders.

Richard A. Lambert, vice-president of the Utah SUP organization and chairman of the trek committee, met with Mr. Perkins and outlined a schedule for the March event. The trek will parallel the last leg of the 2000-mile infantry march of the battalion from Council Bluffs, Iowa, to California.

Present plans concerning the trek include a march through San Diego, Los Angeles and San Bernardino.

Ten chartered buses carrying 370 SUP members and their wives will pick up the battalion trail at Tucson and will arrive in San Diego, March 16. The "battalion" will march to Balboa Park and give a pageant in the evening at the site of the Mormon Battalion Monument.

They will also visit the San Luis Rey Mission where the Battalion first saw the Pacific Ocean.

Continuing along the coast toward Los Angeles, the trekkers will visit the mission at San Juan Capistrano. At Los Angeles they will be feted at a banquet and program at the Los Angeles stake center. The next day they will march through the city to Fort Moore Hill, the point where the Battalion raised the first United States flag in California.

GOVERNOR, MAYOR TO ATTEND RITES

Memorial services will be held at the site of a proposed monument near the city hall where celebrities including Gov. Earl Warren, Mayor Fletcher Bowron and others will pay tribute to the original members of the Battalion.

The trekkers will participate in the National Orange show at San Bernardino. The day they are to arrive has been set aside as "California Mormon Day." The California Centennial Commission will cooperate.

Not only one of the most efficient but, say the stake members, one of the most dignified and best looking stake presidencies on record. Standing, left to right: Angus H. Norberg, first counselor; Glenn C. Shaw, second counselor; sitting, Delbert F. Wright, president of the Oakland stake of Zion.

—photo by Wilford E. Pennock.

What we do here on earth is just the beginning of salvation, Oakland Stake President Delbert F. Wright pointed out in his address to members of the Stake at Quarterly Conference session on Sunday morning, January 22.

President Wright presided over the conference, representing general authorities, and Counselor Glenn C. Shaw conducted.

President Wright, spoke of Stake activities including the purchase of a chapel for San Leandro ward and extension ward boundaries to 150th ave.

"Obedience to the laws of the Lord," he declared "is the cornerstone on which we are going to build a future for our sons and daughters."

Admonishing the over-flow audience or forgive one another, he pointed out that one who does not forgive trespasses, commits the greater sin, and added, each man will have to make amends for his own sins.

In conclusion, he urged members to keep the Sabbath Day, and in keeping it to read Doctrine and Covenants, Section 59: 9-21.

First Counselor Angus H. Norberg spoke of the Savior as the Well of Living waters and showed that as water is essential to life, so is the gospel essential to a full life.

He likened scriptural passages to red and green traffic lights which give us the go ahead or danger signals. "Do we know the scriptures well enough that we can bring them to life for our children and teach them to love them?"

The response to the appeal for words to popular tunes has been extremely gratifying, and the talent displayed surprising.

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Donald C. Bennion of the Stake High Council spoke on the importance of prayer.

Thys Winkel, former Bishop of Alameda ward and new member of the Stake high council, told of a business trip and of how the Sermon on the Mount brought to bear a spirit and influence that contrasted with city noises. The beauties, he said, were not for everyone.

Returned Missionary Gwendolyn Muir from Western States and Sterling Graw, reported on their missions and urged members to accept a call to this rich and full life of teaching the Gospel.

One of the highlights of the afternoon session of Oakland Stakes quarterly conference, was

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Quarterly Conference dates for 1950:

Berkeley: Feb. 11-12; April 29-30; August 26-27; November 11-12.

Oakland: January 21-22; April 1-2; June 24-25; October 21-22.

In each stake the second and fourth conferences in the year are welfare conferences.

General Conference, 1950:

April 6-9, September 29.

Auxiliary General Conferences:

R. S. Conference, Sept. 27-28.

Primary Conference, April 4-5.

MIA Conference, June 15-18.

Sunday School Con., April 9.

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Business News

• Lloyd G. Brooks, Elmhurst ward, has the sellingest position one could imagine. He calls it, "More Sales, More Money," and that seems to go to the heart of it all right, for he conducts the famous "Elmer Wheeler's Sales Course" at Heald College, 2090 Broadway, Oakland. Lloyd is starting another 16 weeks course February 7 at 6:00 p. m. and is good enough to invite everyone to come down for the first session as his guests. Look like a lot of good things can come out of that, too.

• The Nu Vu Venetian Blind company at 6323 1/2 San Pablo, "The Five Morgans from Utah," whose faces you see in the Messenger ad, wrote us a few days ago the cheery news: "We are getting results on the run it ad, and will continue to run it each month." They started from scratch after the war to give 'em all jobs, dad and the four sons, and they have made good, b'golly, and we're glad all over.

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Berkeley Stake Conference

Berkeley stake conference will
assemble Saturday, February 11,
at 7 p.m., and Sunday, February
12 at 10 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m.
Marion G. Romney, assistant to
the Council of the Twelve, will
represent the General Authorities
in the welfare committee.

Donna Wall, talented violinist,
(Oakland ward) and recent gradu-
ate of the College of the Holy
Names, will be presented in the
Oakland ward chapel, Saturday,
Feb. 18, in a ward benefit concert.
Donna's father is serving as Oak-
land ward clerk. The family for-
merly resided in Berkeley ward
where her violin solos were recog-
nized as showing high promise.
Now she is a concert stage artist.

PLEASE tell the Messenger
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Call Earl at SW 8-5922 if you
are the one who got the wrong
coat at the Berkeley chapel Janu-
ary 27. Earl's keys were in that
coat, too.

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BERKELEY STAKE NEWS

**Pittsburgh's New Bishop; Rodeo Branch Organized;
Primary, MIA, Sunday School, Relief Society Reports**
Sunday, January 8, 1950, Bishop J. Harold Magley, who has
served Pittsburgh ward so faithfully as bishop, was reluctantly re-
leased. The new bishopric is composed of LaFarr Astel, bishop, and
the former counselors retained, Kenneth Porter and Ray Gibbs.

NEW BRANCH AT RODEO

Sunday, January 22, 1950 the
new branch at Rodeo was organ-
ized with Reed Nelson as Branch
president (formerly of the Car-
quinez ward bishopric) and Ruell
Wanless and O. Martell Pederson
as counselors, and Wm. McKay as
clerk.

The new branch will draw num-
bers from Rodeo, Pinole, Hercules
Torney, Selby, and Crockett area.
Credit for the organization of
this new unit in the Berkeley
stake is given to the faithful
labors of stake missionaries of the
Richmond district over the past
two years especially to Elder
Lewis W. Oborn. They have con-
ducted a fine Sunday School and
Sacrament meeting at Rodeo and
Relief Society organizations will
soon follow.

STAKE MISSION REPORT

President Ariel Anderson re-
ports that there are stake mission-
aries working in every ward of
the stake. Fairfield Branch has
not begun yet. There are also
full time missionaries in the
Northern California Mission labor-
ing within the stake boundaries.
All these workers could accom-
plish more he declared the mem-
bers of the church would give
more help and cooperation invit-
ing friends and neighbors to at-
tend our church functions and
meetings, and also arrange cottage
meetings.

Members are kindly requested
to turn in names and addresses
of interested people, and also of
indifferent members.

HOME BUILDERS-MOTHERS PARTY

The Primary stake board will
entertain the Home Builders of
the Stake and their mothers as a
party in the Berkeley Recreation
Hall, February 18, at 2 p. m.
Games, numbers from each ward,
and refreshments are on the pro-
gram; so come all concerned.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL DRIVE
February is not only the birth-
day month of great men like
Washington and Lincoln, but it is
the time for the Birthday Penny
Drive. February 12-19, for the
benefit of the wonderful Primary
Hospital that is now building a
huge new home in a beautiful hill
section of Salt Lake City. The
children's hospital is maintained
by birthday pennies. This is how
it works. Each person is invited
to put in a penny for each year
of your age. You do it privately
so no one need know.

STAKE RELIEF SOCIETY

President Vera Mayhew has
spent the past several weeks in
Salt Lake City attending her
mother, Sister S. E. Hinckley, who
is seriously ill there. Mayhew
Anderson, first counselor has been
carrying on a good representa-
tion of the wards attended the
Stake Convention for Visiting
Teachers held in the Berkeley
chapel, February 3, 1950. Members
of the General Board were in at-
tendance. A dramatized history of
visiting teaching was the feature
of the excellent program under
direction of President Vera May-
hew.

STAKE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The 1950 Deseret Sunday School
Unit Two Stake Convention
(Berkeley and Oakland) held at
the Berkeley chapel Sunday, Jan-
uary 15, presented some wonder-
ful and helpful techniques and
predecessors. Also the spirit of

the good Sunday School teacher
was beautifully stressed by the
visiting General Sunday School
board members.
These comprised Dr. Henry C.
Eyring, dean of the graduate
school U. of U., and world famous
research physicist; Dr. Asael D.
Woodruff, formerly of Cornell
University, now dean of the BYU
School of Education; A. Leroy
Bishop and Claribel W. Aldous.
Bro. Thomas Scott of Sacramen-
to handled the music section.
Theme of the convention was:
"Improving the teaching of the
gospel through more efficient
leadership and cooperation."

Ideal qualifications of the good
Sunday School teacher were
sketched by Elder Woodruff: (1)
Love and feel the gospel; (emo-
tional condition); (2) Have and
(Continued on page 6)

E. Richmond Ward

NOLA SULLIVAN.
Bishop Finell gives us a message
for the new year and looks back
on the year just finished.
It is time to survey our year's
activities. We desire to overcome
our shortcomings of the past year
by looking at the year honestly and
then pulling together for the goals
we all want.

Some places for improvement
could be briefly stated here: Greater
production in the welfare budget;
more participation in the stake
building program.
"East Richmond has, in the past
year, demonstrated a spirit of true
Christian brotherhood. Our desire, as
a bishopric, is to recommend this as
a pattern for all wards; remembering
at all times: 'It is the spirit in which
our labors are conducted which is
important.'"

Some advancements we want you
to hear of: Kenneth Genglers, pre-
ceding year's deacon, Wayne Finell
ordained a deacon. And from the adult
side, Ellis Hopkins, who has been
serving as a deacon since last year,
is now a bishop.

Congratulations are in order to
Tony and Olea Wolf on their new
baby girl, to the Tidwells for bless-
ing such a fine baby girl last
day. (And may we say Brother
Tidwell made a lovely thing of ex-
plaining the blessing of children to
the younger people, just before his
father's blessing.)

Daria Davis was honored at a
show given by Elizabeth Genglers,
preceding year's first counselor. Pre-
ceding year's first counselor, Daria
will be married on the Sun-
day of February in the east. She
is the daughter of Howard and Lucy
Davis; she is marrying John Cusack,
son of Katherine Cusack. The new-
lyweds will make their first home
at 3231 Garfield, San Pablo. The
ward's best wishes go with them.

Brother Mortenson, we all wish
you good health and hope to see you
back with us again soon.
We say good work to Clyde Kleck-
ner, Lewis Oborn and all the stake
missionaries in helping organize
such a fine branch at Rodeo.
The genealogical society invites
us to participate. The Sunday night
sacrament service was excellent
under their auspices. Bro. Ball in-
spired us all in his message on the
true work of salvation for the dead.
Delbert H. Rock pictured the great
sacrifices our people have made
and called up us now to utilize these
sacred structures. June Beraz is one
to see if you have questions about
meetings etc.

Last month's East Richmond didn't
get in their news—everyone was too
busy making that news; especially
Sister Lee. Emerson wrote the
dialogue for our Christmas cantata
and produced one of the finest seen
for a long time. Sister Bue conducted
the chorus; it was under the aus-
pices of the MIA. Watch for our
Easter cantata.

—Nola Sullivan.

Berkeley

(SECOND)

Bishop Green had letters from two
of his missionaries the past month.
Gwen W. Barrett of the Central At-
lantic States Mission sends best
wishes to the members of the ward.
He states that almost 700 have been
baptized into the Church where he is
serving and 1000 Books of Mormon
have been distributed during the
past year. The Church also has
started on a vast building program in
that area. Brother Barrett is enjoying
his work and recommends others be
called into the missionary field.

Brother Claud Dewiship is now set-
tled at 175 Nightingale Lane, Lon-
don, S.W. 12, England. He has en-
joyed his trip over and is now start-
ing his missionary work. Letters
from home would be very welcome.
S. Leroy Richards and his wife,
Hannah, have moved into our ward.
We feel very fortunate to have
these two fine people join us. We
will gain much from our association
with them.

We are sorry Anna Lee Spencer's
health is preventing her from con-
tinuing as choir leader. She has
served faithfully and well. All the
members of the ward feel grateful
to Anna Lee for the many fine mus-
ical programs she has brought to
us.

Brother Leonard Harris, who has
served as organist, has resigned.
His working hours have been chang-
ed so that it will be impossible for
him to attend meetings regularly.
We appreciate all he has done for us.
Brother Dean Jensen will take
Anna Lee's place as organist. Sister
Grace Boyack has accepted the
call as ward organist. These two
talented members of our ward will
undoubtedly bring us more wonder-
ful musical programs. All members
of the ward who would like to join
the choir are cordially invited to
support our new leaders.

February 2 is our big ward family
night. Everyone is invited to come
and bring a pot-luck dish. Contribu-
tions will also be accepted to be
added to our welfare fund. Sister
Grace Summerhayes will have a
booth with puzzles for sale. These
hunting up old and new songs ap-
proved.

Sister Helen Eastmond has accept-
ed the call to be the welfare coun-
sellor for the Relief Society. Sister
Grace Hopkins did a fine work and
we are happy to welcome such a
worthy successor. Lucille Ream
and Margaret Harris have been
doing a great deal of trouble
hunting up old songs and new ap-
propriate to each lesson. Sister Ivy
Tidwell is doing fine as coordina-
tor for Sister Summerhayes. Ivy
meets everyone at the door and
sings and feels welcome. Do come
out to Relief Society on Thursday
mornings. You will not feel like a
stranger here.

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Fairfield Newsette

The Fairfield Branch Berkeley
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a ward paper for better efficien-
cy. Its name, chosen by a Branch
contest, is "The Newsette," we
have the impression from the
first issue, that it will live up to
its name in very deed.

The Newsette has the jump on
all the other ward papers. It is
printed by a professional printer
in the grand manner as a free
service to the success of the work
of the Lord in the Fairfield
branch. The printer (also the
printer of The Messenger),
Raymond E. Campbell, with his
excellent wife, Maxine (also a
skill) printer and their fine family
of four lovely daughters are re-
cent converts through the labors of
the local elders and especially of
Allen Snowball late of the stake
high council.

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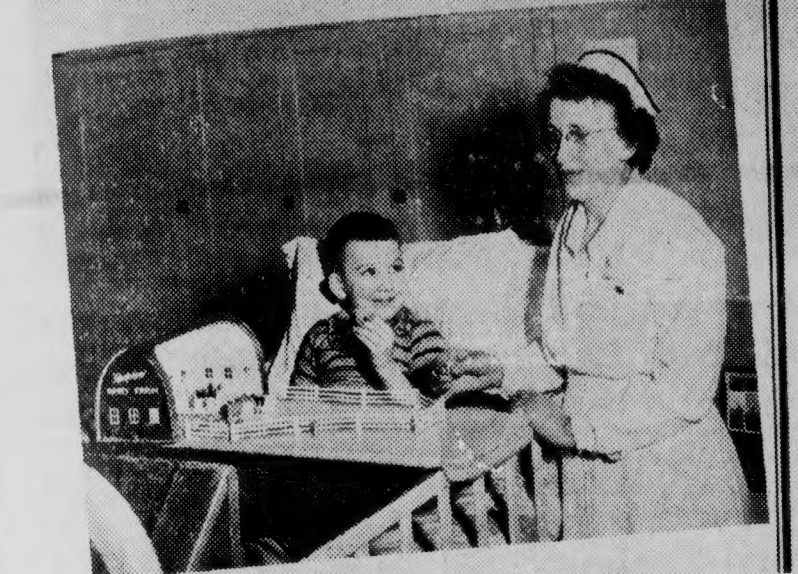
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reach their quota. Thank you.

Berkeley Stake Calendar---Feb., March

FEBRUARY
4—Saturday—Stake Gleaners and Mothers' party, Berkeley.
8—Wednesday—Stake auxiliary boards; Berkeley chapel, 7:30 p.m.
10—Friday—Berkeley Stake Sweetheart Ball; Scottish Rite ball-
room, Oakland.

MARCH
8—Wednesday—Stake auxiliary boards; Berkeley chapel, 7:30 p.m.
11—Saturday—Junior Girls and Junior M Men spring party, Ber-
keley.

12—Sunday—Stake MIA leadership meeting.
18—Saturday—Stake M Men-Gleaner banquet and dance; Berkeley.
25—Saturday—Special Interest party, Berkeley.

—Other Berkeley Stake February Events—
11 and 12—Saturday and Sunday—Stake quarterly conference,
Berkeley chapel, 10:00 a.m., 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.
13—Sunday—Stake M Men-Gleaner banquet and dance; Berkeley.
18—Saturday—Primary Home Builders-Mothers party, Berkeley
chapel.
25—Saturday—Lucky Clover dance, Vallejo chapel, sponsored by
Carquinez ward.

Oakland Stake Calendar---February

10—Friday—Sweetheart ball, Florentine room, Claremont hotel
Berkeley, \$1 per person; semi-formal; request NO corsages.
11—Saturday—Teen age Green and Gold ball, Alameda recreation
hall.
12—Sunday—Oakland stake MIA leadership meeting in Dimond
chapel.

24—Friday—Stake Rose prom, sponsored by the Explorers and
Junior Girls for all the young women and men of the stake.
Theme: "The Minuet." Special orchestra; semi-formal; Dimond
recreation hall, 8:30.
28—Tuesday—Maxwell Park ward Gold and Green ball at Max-
well Park.

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where she underwent a major opera-
tion. We understand that Sister Ba-
douin is recovering nicely and we
hope to see her in our Church gath-
erings again soon. Especially do we
miss Sister Badouin in our MIA, as
she is class leader and teacher for
Junior Girls.

We are also happy to report that
Mrs. Arthur J. Burdett is recovering
from an illness which has kept her
bedfast for the past few weeks. We
miss you, Besse, and are looking
forward to seeing you out again
soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Meine was
seen at one of our ward parties last
week. Nice seeing you good people
once more; do come again. This re-
minds me to tell you that Brother
Meine lost an overcoat while attend-
ing a party in the Berkeley Ward
Chapel on January 27. If you happen
to be the person who got the wrong
coat on this night Brother Meine
will be glad to exchange the one left
for him for his own coat. Call him
in San Leandro, SW. 8-5922.

We have another new member in
Claremont, a lovely daughter born
to Mrs. Florence Hedgpath. We will
be glad to tell you the name of our
youngest member in the next issue
of The Messenger.
Any of you members wishing to
join the Temple Pilgrimage leaving
for Salt Lake City on June 17, 1950
please get in touch with Robert
Phibbs, who will be glad to sign you
on the pledge card and help you
make definite arrangements for the
trip.
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Berkeley Ward

FIRST WARD
DAWNA ERICKSON and CAROL DUNHAM
The Berkeley Ward Fireside group
is demonstrating the fact that fun
and service can be a very successful
combination. This group, under the
leadership of Jack Smith and Nadine
Williams, is planning to send relief
packages to needy families in Eu-
rope.

Tuesday night, January 31, the
group added zest to the activities of its
dance by selling refreshments and
managing a game booth. The pro-
ceeds from their activities will be
used to take care of mailing expen-
ses. At this time a special invitation
is extended to all young people 17
years of age and over to attend the
Fireside activities. We welcome you
and want you to come and share
the fun.

Berkeley First Ward can point
with pride to the activities of its
basketball team. Through hard work
and excellent coaching, the team
has now reached first place in the
league. We would like to recognize
and thank the work of Coach Eric-
son and players: Arden Bodell,
Ken Schneider, Scott Dunham, Heber
Kimball, Wayne Mayhew, Jr., War-
ren Blah, George McMillan and
Hal Simons. If they are successful
in their next games,

Liahona Club

(Continued from page one.)
Liahonas could go with their growing families for wholesome recreation and fraternization. And there could be no more of the young folks of the two stakes, the M Men, the Gleaner Girls, and the Scouts of our wards so that they could be engaged in wholesome activities in God's great out-of-doors on a camping trip, instead of being left too much at the mercy of unwholesome situations that so often lead to delinquency and heart breaks.

The Messenger's planned April Easter Business and Professional Directory and Gazetteer issue was approved, and a committee voted for this and for a future Messenger-Liahona relations committee.

Club plus were presented to three members of the club, Jonathan Heaton, Arthur Hopkins, and I. B. Ball.

The February meeting of the club will be held at the same place February 27, at 7:30 p. m., and all local colony business and professional members are urged to contact President Erickson or any members of the club and to plan to attend.

Delightful guitar and vocal singing by Jess Harmon and his delightful son, Douglas Reed Harmon was a top feature of the evening.

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Stake Pilgrimage, Dinner-Show

(Continued from page one)
stake chorister, Nico D. Snell, has also composed original music for one set of words submitted. This also will be heard at the banquet and show of February 22.

Getting Ready for the Pilgrimage Every family signing a pledge card for the June temple pilgrimage should forthwith begin to make out their family group sheets, pedigree charts and personal records. If they need help on this, that assistance will be rendered most cheerfully by the ward genealogical committees.

It is pointed out by Albert Dietrich that each ward group should see to it that they have on the average 172 names ready for work at the temple. The Genealogical Society, to whom the records should be sent two months in advance, that is early in April at the latest.

On the first day at the temple, the pilgrimage will do work for "free" names or so-called "mission names," and also on that day the needed baptisms will be performed, for which endowments will be done the second day. On the last three days we will do endowment work on the names we have brought to the temple. For special help on questions that are bothering even the ward committee, it is advised that one write to Bro. H. Clark Falls, teacher of the genealogical class in Richmond ward. His address is 530 So. 28th Street, Apt. 2-E, Richmond.

Walnut Crk. News

Walnut Creek bishopric wishes a cordial welcome to all the new members moving into the ward. They extend an invitation to all members to all the scheduled meetings. These will be held at the Walnut Creek Women's City Club.

Mrs. Osborne has assumed the duties of scheduling all activities of the ward. She will publish a calendar monthly showing all ward and monthly events for the month. Please see that all information reaches Mrs. Osborne by the 15 of the preceding month.

Congratulations to Herb and Virginia Macey on the birth of a six-pound boy, January 29. Steven Richard becomes the third child for the happy Maceys. Russ and Virginia Bates are also the proud parents of a six-pound 6 ounce baby girl, Kathleen Ann made her appearance at 3:55 a. m., January 7. This is their first child.

The Relief Society did it again by putting their magazine over by 127 per cent of allotment. They are now working hard to get a new sewing machine.

Mrs. Martineau is still having sewing classes for all the women of the ward at her home, 7 to 10 p. m., on Mondays. Anyone wishing further information may call Vera White at W. C. 5232 or Gladys Martineau at W. C. 3915.

Many parents were proud of their boys' thanks to Bro. Shurtliff, who took the Primary boys to his shop and helped them make jewel boxes for Christmas.

Bertha Green, Primary president, has chosen Fern Christensen, first counselor and Francelle Larsen, second counselor and Louise Clayton, secretary. A Valentine party is in the offing for the Primary children. The MIA sponsored their first dance, the Hayseed Hop Thursday, January 25.

Bro. and Sis. Russell Bates announce the engagement of their daughter, Darlene, to Ray Stephens of Pocatello, Idaho. Plans are for a temple marriage this summer in the Idaho Falls temple. Ray is one of the Sunday School counselors.

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Bishopric Keeps its Word and "Feeds the Brutes" — Blue Ribbon Winners

For winning blue ribbon honors at the fall 1949 camporee at Camp Herms, Troop 131 of East Richmond ward were given the bishop's usual reward to his ward scouts—a big feed. Every time the troop wins proficiency honors at the camporee, the good bishopric opens their purse strings and come up with a delicious church dinner, and all the fun that goes with these festive occasions.

Oakland Ward

BERNADINE M. ADAMS, TW. 3-4861

Wedding bells rang last month for June Pugmire, the daughter of Sister Laura Pugmire. The groom is James S. Martin of San Francisco. We are going to miss having June in our ward, for she has been very active and has furnished us with beautiful songs. June and Jimmy have bought a home in San Francisco. We wish them the greatest of happiness.

We have a new ward clerk—Don Wall, replacing Jesse Haddock, who had served for 14 years. Bro. Haddock has been requested by his doctor to take a rest for awhile. We wish to thank him for the excellent work he has done; and also to wish Don our best and to ask him to help us in the greatest of happiness.

We have two nice people in our ward—Sister Mary Jones and Brother Henry Loftgren. To these dear members we wish speedy recoveries, and hope they might rejoin us in the ward very soon.

Last month we had many enjoyable meetings, but one that was outstanding was when the missionaries of the San Francisco area spoke to us. They bore beautiful testimonies and had wonderful messages for us.

We have an accomplished violinist in our ward as all well know, Donna Lee Wall. Donna gave her recital January 22, at the College of Holy Names. It was a complete success and everyone who attended was greatly repaid by the beautiful music Donna gave with her violin. She has received her master's degree in music. To Donna and to her parents, Don and Ollie Wall, we wish to send our hearty congratulations.

Charles Weber has gone to Salt Lake to work for the ZCMI department which has him in good fortune in his new location.

Sister Laura Pugmire is going to leave our ward and live with her son in the Elmhurst area; also with her daughter in San Francisco. We are sure going to miss her for she has been very active and always willing to do whatever was asked of her. We hope she will return and visit with us again.

Frances Lundberg and Francis Mayo were married last month by her brother, Eugene Jacobs, of the stake high council. Frances is our MIA drama director. We do wish happiness to this newly married couple and hope they will make them feel welcome in our ward.

—Bernadine Adams, TW. 3-4861.

S. Victor Grow

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hide their ill deeds, whereas the Frenchman don't worry about it. Our mission activities were very numerous. We had musical programs of Quartette and instrumental selections which toured the entire mission with great success. They received many newspaper comments with photos. The "Quartette Mormon" was described by President Alma Sonnet of the European mission as "perhaps the finest I have ever heard presented by missionaries anywhere."

They were making recordings one day for their own use when they were overheard by a radio executive. He requested that they come to his station and present a half hour program during which time they would be interviewed and could tell something about Mormonism. Later their recordings were played on several major stations in France and in Belgium.

Our French brothers and sisters have made great sacrifices financially and otherwise to accept the true Gospel of Jesus Christ. They undergo many hardships, and are often hated by their own relatives because they have left a traditional religion and accepted the Everlasting Gospel of the Lord. They carry strong testimonies of the divinity of this work. They are pioneers today in their land, and they suffer ridicule and insults from strong religious forces just as our pioneer forefathers did in the early days of the Church. Let us be ever mindful of them and the difficulties under which they must worship. They are truly saints of God in these latter days.

April-Easter Directory

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No apologies are offered for introducing LDS business and professional people. We make no undue claims as to their perfection, but neither do we fear that they are not equal to the best. We know their hearts are right; they seek the same idea and the same high goals that we all do.

Furthermore, we repeat, no one can patronize or help another person unless they know him—the where and what about him. After that it takes repeated reminders in the way of acts and business notes, etc., to keep these things in mind, because we all tend to forget and to neglect that which we really wish to do.

Directories, Gazetteers, and ads all help us to become more fraternal and helpful. One of our larger business men said in our hearing lately that often the trade of members makes the difference between profits and loss for our business men.

What is the sum of the matter? It is this—let us all pitch in and put the April-Easter Directory-Gazetteer issue of the Messenger over the top in the grand manner. The cause is worthy; and the challenge is before us. Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of The Directory!

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Oakland Stake Conference

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the setting up of a new Bishopric for Maxwell ward.

Former Bishop William Stuart has been called to succeed the Stake's long-time secretary, Paul Hallman. Members of Maxwell ward approved these names presented at the conference session: Bishop, Curtis Bybee; first counselor, Richard Allphin; second counselors, Leland Wright.

Howard Lund was released as Stake Sunday School chorister because he is moving away.

Glenn C. Shaw who conducted the session spoke on the importance of Love—Love for the Lord—and Love for "thy neighbor."

It is possible to do immeasurable harm, unthinkingly, and we should teach one another, "let every man esteem his brother."

Sister Elsie Lyon, Stake Primary quoted from the 68th section of Doctrine and Covenants to show the importance of primary work and urged that we teach children to pray and walk upright before the Lord. We teach by word and by activities to help youngsters make applications of lesson objectives.

Eugene Jacobs of the Stake High Council likened a man's character to his credit and demonstrated that a lack of credit reference in character is one of the worst spots a man can be in.

Stake High Council member Lorenzo Hoopes told of a traveler's visit to a German Cathedral and how he found that at first he could see nothing, but when he looked toward the sun, he could see the pictures of Christ.

He urged members of the LDS church to be sure that they have the view and the proper angle that will let them see the Gospel.

Paul Hallman told how he appreciated the opportunity to serve with the leaders of the Church in the area for 12 years and how he was glad for their confidence in him.

Returned Missionary Ruon Ogden reported on the growth of the Argentine mission.

The afternoon session also featured an organ prelude to open the session, by Donna Phelps Bates, the Mormon Male Chorus, under the direction of Robert Sant and accompanied by Mary Wilkinson provided the music.

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Maxwell Pk. Ward

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It is with sincere respect and good wishes we introduce to you the man who has been chosen as the new Bishop of Maxwell Park Ward, Curtis R. Bybee. Bishop Bybee was born in Kayville, Utah, the son of Bro. Arthur and Sister Lester B. Bybee. He has four brothers and three sisters, besides his father, all living in the Bay Area with the exception of one sister still in Utah.

Curtis attended school in Ogden, Utah, and later attended the University of Utah, where he won fame as a debater. It was during his college days that he met Mary Shurtliff, who was visiting relatives in Utah. In 1926 Curtis came to California to see Mary, and never returned to Utah to live. They were married in the Dimond Ward Chapel in 1937 by Brother Paul Summerhayes, and a year later were married in the Salt Lake Temple.

They have an ideal family: two lovely daughters and two fine young sons. As his counselors he has chosen Richard A. Allphin and Leland S. Wright, with Doyle G. Fullmer as clerk. Brief sketches of these fine brethren will appear in next month's issue.

We wish to pay tribute to the outgoing bishopric, who have done a splendid job in our ward. We are very proud that our Bishop Stewart has been chosen as the new stake clerk. Brother Hawkins and Dr. Bramwell have been very faithful in carrying out their assignments along with Brother Williams and Kragge as ward clerks. Enjoy your rest brethren—it won't last long.

We are now celebrating our 17th semi-formal Sweetheart Ball will be held. To all party enthusiasts we suggest they watch for the details of the one scheduled for March 3.

BISHOPS MESSAGE
This is our first bishop's message to the ward through the means of the Messenger. We suggest they watch for the details of the one scheduled for March 3.

We are happy to announce that Jean Umberger who will conduct the dancing extensively will conduct ballroom classes after Mutual on Tuesday nights.

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Vallejo Ward News

LARUE POWELL, Ph. 2-5294
144 Viewmont Avenue

My mind goes back to the spring of 1941 when the Vallejo ward was divided and the Carquinez ward was organized. I recall the first Sunday School I attended after that division. It seemed then that the group was approximately 60 people was too small to even function properly. However, one who attends our Sunday school now and sees the talent which has been found in those presiding and sits as one, among the presiding of over 300 we can fully see the wisdom and forethought our Stake presidency had when they organized two wards in the city of Vallejo.

We were honored to have the recent Road Show presented in Vallejo. All wards displayed their talents well. We as a Vallejo ward were especially proud of our play entitled, "An Evening at Home." It was written by one of our dearest members, Sister Norma Taylor, who wrote it for her Junior Girls when she was their Mutual teacher. She is noted for her ability to write and if we are privileged to browse through her book of original poems, which she has collected since her girlhood, we would spend many profitable hours.

Berk. Stake News

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seek a knowledge of the gospel; intelligence; (3) Be clear in thought (a muddled teacher confuses other people); (4) Analyze without causing doubt; (5) Give pupils a satisfying experience, and that will make them prefer coming to Sunday school to other ways of spending Sunday mornings.

Love and help the unadjusted boy and girl to belong and be a part of it all. Be loyal, be happy, feel the gospel, know the gospel, love the gospel as a real experience in your own life. Only the teacher who possesses these qualifications can implant them in the minds and souls so that their boys and girls have a real experience of their own of love and appreciation, and prefer to come to Sunday school.

NEW MIA BOARD MEMBERS

New appointments to the Berkeley stake MIA boards include: Helen Burdett, activity counselor on the Young Women's board; Joyce Tippetts, reassigned from M Men manual supervisor to assistant superintendent in charge of manual work on the Young Men's board; Floyd Pickett assigned as M Men activity advisor on the Young Men's board and Richard Coltrin, who returns to the board as Boy Scouts' supervisor after a year's absence.

MIA work is not new to these members and it is certain that they will pursue their present callings with intelligence and enthusiasm.

PICTURE FILES

Both the ward and the stake Primaries are stressing the value of visual aids as means of effective teaching. Helpful picture files are being collected, to visualize the lessons. "The shortest distance between two minds is a picture." So that lovely pictures that are used once may not be thrown away or lost, permanent files are

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STAKE MUSIC AND SPEECH FESTIVAL

Plans for the annual stake music and speech festival, scheduled for Friday, April 28, in the Berkeley recreation hall, are rapidly taking shape according to Frances Nix, stake MIA music director.

She stated that a Gilbert and Sullivan opera will be offered in concert form with singers and principals from all wards of the stake. Tryouts for the principal parts are being conducted this month in most of the wards.

ROADSHOW AWARDS

Excellent ratings were awarded to Claremont, Martinez and East Richmond wards for the splendid performances of their acts during the Berkeley stake MIA roadshows. They were presented last month in the recreation halls at Vallejo, Martinez and Berkeley.

The judges, Harold Gaisford, Jay Brown and Ardell Kay also awarded honorable mention ratings to Richmond, Fairfield and Vallejo. Carquinez and Berkeley ward offerings were not judged because they were unable to appear on the final night of the program. Pittsburg, Walnut Creek and Napa wards were unable to present acts due to circumstances beyond their control.

At all performances many laudatory comments were heard among members of the audience.

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and more than 105 people participated directly in the production of the show either as actors, musicians or technicians. The production was supervised by Jay Brown with the assistance of Kirke M. Decker, George A. Bennett, Dale Kershaw and Ed Hollander.

STAKE RELEASES AND ADVANCEMENTS

Elder Francis H. Leavitt was released and LeRoy Clovis sustained as president of the Seventh Quorum of Elders. Gloria Magley was released and Helen Burdett sustained as activity counselor of the stake YLMIA. J. B. Gleason was approved to be ordained a high priest. Margaret Owen was sustained a second counselor of the stake Girls' committee.

The following priests were approved to be ordained elders: Leroy Scarard, Hopkins, Raymond B. Evans, Scott Dunham, George T. Spier, Wesley K. Walton and Leslie L. Conklin.

San Leandro Ward

VERNA JACKSON

May I begin this column by offering an apology. Because of a vacation your reporter didn't learn of the advanced deadline set for last month's Messenger and so our news was late to reach the press. However, I did contain some information I think you will be interested in, especially regarding the successful return of the "talent" dollars distributed throughout the ward in October last.

At a very entertaining family night held December 23, over 50 silver dollars were accounted for in an amount nearing \$1000. Your cooperation is again more than appreciated.

The privilege of having two full time missionaries laboring in San Leandro was also mentioned in last month's article and it was suggested that you feel free to call on Elders Tennemeyer and Speakman should you wish their help in interesting your friends or family in the Gospel. Let's show the Elders real San Leandro hospitality, too.

We were also suggested that we remember our San Leandro missionary Sister Verla Sandstrom with an occasional note during this New Year. Verla's address is: Magnus den Godes Gt. 1 IV. Trondheim, Norway. She is now our representative in the Gospel. Brother Howard Marsh has been released after completing a successful mission in Argentina.

Our congratulations were also extended to the Ralph Sylvester family on the arrival of a lovely baby girl, December 23.

During January much has happened in our ward. The activities are all so worthwhile it behooves each of us to take advantage of as many as possible.

Are you taking part in the folk dancing every Wednesday evening under the capable direction of Sister Sylvia Baldwin.

Did you hear Wm. O'Connor at Mutual the other night give valuable suggestions for making out income tax returns?

Have you heard any of the very worthwhile lessons presented this month at the regular Relief Society meetings?

Is your child attending Primary? Were you in the audience on the night of January 20 when Louise Calloe presented her Juvenile Symphony. The talent displayed was amazing. Master of ceremonies, Bobby Dietel, cleverly introduced each number, including dancing and musical specialties. The enjoyable evening increased our building fund considerably.

Have you attended the Sacramento services as you have been commanded to do and which have been prepared especially for you.

This is your ward—it is up to you to make it grow and keep it interesting.

Our basketball team certainly deserves recognition and commendation for the successful season they have had thus far. However, they will need your support from the sidelines for continued success.

San Leandro ward will soon be celebrating its Third birthday but it will be more than a birthday celebration this year. It will be an OVER THE TOP victory dinner. February 24 marks the deadline for

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Richmond Ward

NORMA PASSEY.

There is going to be a "Mormon Dinner" in the Memorial hall, Richmond, February 4, 1950, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. This has taken a lot of time in preparation on behalf of the finance committee, so let's all go and have a fine turkey dinner. The price is \$1.75 for adults and \$1.00 for children.

Gene Passey and Kay Noall were married in the Salt Lake Temple on January 3, 1950; their reception will be held at the LDS Institute in Berkeley on February 4, 1950.

The Special Interest group have been enjoying Saturday night folk dancing at the Ward House. The crowd has been enlarging and the Special Interest group will continue the dancing for those of Special Interest age.

The officers of the Mutual wish to

our building fund drive and again, with your cooperation, we hope to have a most successful evening. The food will be something special—outstanding entertainment is being planned, and numerous drawings will be made. Cash prizes are a 43-piece set of silverware, a radio, waffle iron, blankets, etc. We know you will want to miss this B-I-EVENING.

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Dimond Ward

STELLA HOOVER.

Mildred Morgan's many friends in Dimond wish her and her new husband, Oscar Fontana, the best of everything to make their marriage a most happy one. They were married December 30.

Congratulations to Beth and Garvin Nicolson. On December 3 they were answered with a darling little son. Their two lovely daughters are very happy with their new baby brother.

We are sorry to hear of Ted Torgerson's accident with his car just before Christmas but glad none of the four occupants were injured. It goes to show one never knows what the other car will do to us.

We are sorry to lose our very capable and talented member, Marjorie Nielsen, and her young daughter, Kathleen. They have moved to Santa Monica. We wish them every happiness and hope they will visit us from time to time.

We have been anxious for a speedy friend of the broken leg of Brother Fred Weindorf. Your many friends think of you and miss you at church. December 6 Walt and Trieste Hall boarded the Zephyr for the Orange in Florida. Walt was chosen one of four lineamen for the game. The Chamber of Commerce entertained them in great fashion with sightseeing and luncheons every day of their stay. The weather was beautiful but not attractive enough to keep them from flying home the day after New Year's.

We are happy to see Melba Rainey on her feet again and we hope her feet never let her down. She tells us she is six or eight steps she slid down weren't exactly like a Simmons mattress. Melba is a new teacher in Primary where they are very happy to have her. She will be also.

Kathryn Kollenbaum informs me February will be the month for the Primary Penny Drive for the Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City. Everyone in each family in the ward is to match their age with pennies, and send them to Primary in envelopes the children bring home. The pennies will be greatly appreciated for this great cause.

Milton Barber has recently been graduated from Primary and is now upon you Milton, in your priesthood work.

Congrats to the girls of Dimond for getting the trophy back. Let's see our name go on there. We were informed that a conference that January 22 was the day for the dedication of the chapel in Tahiti. Hilson writes home pertaining to that day of his mission there. Dimond was host for the Lucky Clover January 27. Everyone came sport.

On February 10 the Sweetheart Ball for all ages will be held at the Alameda ward. It is semi-formal, NO corsages and a dollar per person. This is a Stake dance, let us all support it.

The teenage Green and Gold ball will be held February 11 at 7:30 at Alameda ward. This is a semi-formal dress-up dance for Bee Hive girls and Scouts and no dating is necessary.

Keep March 3rd open for the Dimond Ward Green and Gold.

Carquinez Ward

MARJORIE Y. NELSON.

The youth of the ward look forward with much eagerness and enthusiasm to the nights that are designated as Youth Night at the Church house. These nights were started over a year ago and have indeed proved to be very popular. The young people, under the direction of the Girls' Committee and the Aaronic Priesthood, are in charge of the activities which include games, dancing to the juke box, pingpong.

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Alameda ward's new bishopric was sustained 13 November 1949. Left to right: Arnold B. Bangert, clerk; Francis Winkel, bishop; Charles H. Stamps, first counselor. Absent, Donald W. Hughes, second counselor. Released was Thys Winkel, one of the most energetic and most loved bishops a ward could ever have. He built the beautiful chapel for Alameda, leading the members to Herculean efforts in the spirit of devoted service. Few more commodious chapels are to be found in the church.

as well as refreshments. This evening of entertainment has helped the entertainment problem of "where shall we go and what shall we do," when other Church activities are not scheduled for the week end.

The lot opposite the meetinghouse has been dug up and planted in onions. This is the Welfare Project that the ward has undertaken for the year.

Patriarch and Sister Petersen visited us recently and many of the Deacons took advantage of the opportunity by receiving their patriarchal blessings. The M Men and Gleaners were also privileged by their presence on January 18 at which time Sister Petersen talked with them on courtship and marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hill spent ten days the first of January visiting in Boulder, Colorado, where they greeted little Susan Jean who was born to their daughter and son-in-law. While there they became acquainted with Brother Clemouth Hilson, a brother to President Eugene Hilson.

Lael and Martel Pedersen are rejoicing to have their little daughter, Kay Ellen, who arrived on the 20th of January.

At the sacrament services held January 22, Harold Taylor was released from his position as second counselor in the Sunday School Superintendent and Glen Hill was sustained to fill this office.

Max Stevenson recently underwent

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Alameda Ward

GAYLNE CLAYSON
Our fast meeting to usher in the New Year was very inspirational, especially with so many young people taking part. The Fireside meeting, January 8, was devoted to a shower in honor of Bruce Morgan, our departing missionary to the Southern States. His farewell party on the 18th proved to be a very successful affair with lots of new and old friends in attendance. Jane and Everett, accompanied with his mother, Mildred Morgan Fontana, and Sister Everett, who were to go through the Temple with Bruce.

February 5 was a memorable sacrament meeting with the famous Mormon Male Chorus furnishing the music for the occasion. A good attendance made the meeting more enjoyable also.

The MIA program January 17, was very interesting with the Junior Girls presenting the play, "The Persecuted Maiden."

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Pittsburg Ward

By Mrs. THOVA ASTLE

On January 8, at Sacramento services attended by the stake presidency, Brother LaFarr P. Astle was sustained as Bishop of the Pittsburg ward, succeeding Brother J. Harold Magley. Brother Astle, who formerly was a counselor in the relieving bishopric, chose as his counselors Kenneth Porter and Raymond Gibbs, both of Antioch.

The new bishop, who, by the way, is the husband of this reporter, is a fine and humble man and will be a plant material in the work of the Lord. We are also happy to report that Brother Magley, who has made an enviable record during his term as bishop, and one that will be hard to surpass, will remain very active having been chosen to act as director of the extensive renovation work soon to begin on the chapel, located in West Garrison.

So well received was the performance of the Ladies Chorus before the Pittsburg Lions club on December 27 that they were again asked to put on a repeat performance for the Chamber of Commerce on January 30. Such reports are gratifying in that they indicate a great deal of missionary work can be accomplished in these respective wards. We are gaining the esteem and respect of our fellow townsmen.

Memorable, but, sometimes happy, days during the Camp Stoneman invasion of the ward were recalled by Christmas messages received from several young men, former members of our ward who were stationed at Camp Stoneman. The boys, namely, Karl Bost, Robert Johnson and Sherwin Haer, are now in the service in various parts of the world and are as much representative of our ward as they are of these respective wards. We remember them with gratitude and love and pray for their continued success in their labors. The members of the ward extend genuine sympathy to Sister Merline Roche of Antioch, whose mother recently passed away.

BISHOP'S MESSAGE TO THE WARD

The Gospel of Jesus Christ was given to us in order that we might know joy and happiness, and for this reason the Church was organized, with its various authorities and responsibilities, and the priesthood conferred upon us. Our Heavenly Father knows that we are happy when we are striving to do his will, and expects us to work and put forth an honest effort.

At the present time we are about to begin the reconstruction project on our ward buildings, an undertaking which will require the help of everyone. We want our ward to be a place of worship. We want a building that will be a place of community and bring the respect of our friends and neighbors. We want a place of beauty where we can teach our children the fundamentals of the gospel. Toward this end we will need the assistance of every able-bodied man in the ward.

I believe that this project will unite us together, bringing blessings to all who participate and socially and spiritually. In the future, the blessings of God will be predicated upon our obedience to his laws, and to those who put forth the greatest effort will come the greatest satisfaction, and, deservedly, the greatest blessings.

Hayward Ward

MRS. ROBERT LIVINGSTON.

We are very happy to receive Clifton Blair and his son, Niel into the Church. They were baptized and confirmed last Fast day. We have had the pleasure of having many souls baptized during the past year. It looks like our missionaries are active and blessed.

Bishop Webb gave us a summary of the last year's activity. Our chapel is coming along fine and we expect to be in the chapel proper for our Easter program.

The year of '49 was one of great increase—47 babies were born to us. The Bishop says to keep up the good work; 190 new members moved into the ward. The Bishop urges us to be careful. It is by our example that we draw people into the Church or turn them away—that we are really our brother's keeper.

He urges us all to resolve to have our chapel dedicated by the end of 1950. He admonishes us to be proud

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of our membership in the Church, and I quote: "It is the greatest thing that will ever come into our lives."

Elmer and Lenore Rogers are the proud parents of a baby girl born January 15.

The girls' committee is planning an excursion to the Mesa Temple that our young girls may have this fine privilege of being baptized for their dead. The committee is planning a banquet to pay the way. Everyone is urged to get behind this movement.

Brother Wright at conference reminds us that following the line of least resistance makes rivers and men crooked."

Fairfield News

Maxine Campbell Reporter

When Jos. C. Eyring of Berkeley stake high council, came to Fairfield recently to fulfill a speaking engagement, he was accompanied by his brother, Dr. Eyring of Salt Lake City. Dr. Eyring had come to the bay area to attend the Sunday school convention as a representative of the General Sunday school board. Never had Fairfield branch been so highly honored and what inspiring messages the Eyring brothers had for us.

More recently our sacrament meeting have been highlighted by visits from Elders George Bruerton, Elmer Hip, Erastus Wheeler and Fred Reeder, all of Napa ward.

Attendance at Sunday school, sacrament meeting, Mutual and all auxiliary organizations shows a steady increase, according to Pres. Orin I. Liver.

The Newswrite, Fairfield branch newspaper made its first appearance this week. It contained news and articles about activities of LDS people in this area. On Sundays we have specially printed programs with a full schedule of the day's meetings, announcements, etc. The sacrament sign is even printed on the programs so no one has an excuse for not participating.

Plans are underway for our first annual home-coming party. Details most likely will be completed this week.

An advertisement appearing in two local newspapers reads like this: "Come, come ye saints, put your shoulder to the wheel, there is work for you in Fairfield branch, Berkeley stake. R. E. Campbell, S. S. Supt., phone SU-104. —It's getting results we know."

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Lloyd Johnson Visits Ancient Ruins

Tells of Mobbing of Two Elders, and Two Lady Missionaries in Mexico.

While he does not profess to be a blood hound archeologist, nor a book worm for library accounts of research among Mayan and Inca ruins still Lloyd Johnson of the Berkeley high council and manager of the Lura-Glo Products knows how to enjoy himself among the temples of past glories and also among the elders and the converts in Mexico and Yucatan, and withal make for himself a unique vacation, faith-promoting and relaxing. In the picture Lloyd stands before ancient ruins of Mitla, Oaxaca, Oax., Mexico. With him are seen an official guide and an Indian trader.

In a letter dated January 3, 1949 from "Hotel Turibba," he begins: "Evidences of the Book of Mormon's accounts are so numerous that there is not a single day that it is not manifested to me in one way or another."

Bro. Johnson tells first hand the shocking account of the brutal beating of two LDS missionaries, and the incarceration and threats to two lady missionaries in a town near Oaxaca where Lloyd was staying:

"The Catholics seem to have declared open warfare on the LDS Church here. Two of our Elders were nearly beaten to death by a mob agitated by a Priest. Two Elders and two lady missionaries were visiting saints in a small town north of Pueblo when they were attacked. The girls were taken and locked in a dark room, and the two Elders were taken out to be killed. The mob had only one gun, but all were armed with machetes (big knives.)"

"The Elders were beaten with stones and clubs, and then (the mob) would attempt to cut their heads off with the big knives. But everytime they would swing the knives at their necks, something would happen, so the knives would land flat on their upper arms. This was attempted so many times that their arms were mashed badly. One Elder also has a knee injury (broken and the water is lost). Both are one mass of scars."

"Every time the gun was poked in their faces (the instruction was to shoot them between the eyes) the gunman would aim and aim, and then someone else would say: 'If you're not going to shoot, let me,' so the gun was passed around the crowd. The elders looked down the barrel so many times that they thought it must be their end. But their lives were spared."

"After a while the mob seemed to have just sickened of their attempt and to have dispersed. The sisters were released after being locked up in that dark room for four hours thinking that the Elders had been killed. They were told that they would be next."

"I had them all out to dinner. Thought I would cheer them up a little. They appreciated the food, but said they were of good cheer and would never cease their work until the Lord called a halt. They would not tell me about the mobbing, nor even talk about it, but they were present when one of the saints told me the story."

Then Lloyd tells of a trip he made with four Elders and two native saints 160 miles north of Oaxaca where he is staying in order to visit a LDS family of seven and friends they had invited to come in for meetings. Bro. Johnson's bane seems to have been the goat's milk, and the community sleeping of the family and the visiting Elders and saints on the ground in that one windowless room of the adobe house.

However, he cannily avoided the latter by saying that it was the custom in his country to honor the ladies and children first, and that they (he and the elders) would sleep outside. By this ruse he says they avoided, among other things, the bugs, tho he got his shoes and shirt wet from a rain that fell in the night.

Before returning from that trip Lloyd and the elders made a stiff climb and visited some ruins. Among the things they dug up was a round calendar stone, and a beautiful vase, pure white with red and purple supper design.

Finally the traveler says that the day he wrote he had traveled across the so called "narrow neck of land," from one coast to the other. But he had to close, and promised another missive of news about other adventures.

Elder Howard Marsh, San Leandro Ward, Released From Argentine Mission: Called to Special Assignment by the Church

Elder Howard J. Marsh who has been serving as counselor to two residents of the Argentine Mission, is now returning home via Europe on a special appointment for the Church, and also as an honorary traveling fellow in political science from the University of Southern California.

With a companion he will travel thru Spain, Switzerland, France, England and Wales in Wales the two elders will make contact with relatives of the Welsh people living in the southern colonies (Patagonia, we understand) of Argentina where our missionaries have been successfully laboring and have made many friends, and converts.

While in Spain they will visit a group of Spanish students who

on their own initiative, have formed a study class using the story of the Church and the Restoration of the Gospel as their subject. This group has written for literature and in return have written of their testimony of the truthfulness of the restored Gospel.

Howard J. Marsh is the son of our very active Latter-day Saint of San Leandro, Catherine Marsh and a brother of Herbert Marsh, also very active in the Church. Howard will soon be welcome home by his many friends.



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Temple Informaiton

The complete calendar for every temple in the Church for 1950 is listed in the Church Section of the Deseret News for January 11, 1950. The Messenger will keep this calendar on file, so that anyone who wishes information later in the year may call on the editor. But for the convenience of our readers we are reproducing some of that information in this space.

However we include only the opening and closing dates and the holidays and vacation closing dates. Other data as to the times and hours of endowment sessions and the times for baptism we will keep on file for those who later wish to phone or write for it, as stated above.

The Arizona temple closes for General Conference the first week in April and the last week in September; closes for summer July 27, to reopen September 12; closes for year December 21; reopens January 2, 1951.

The Idaho Falls temple closes for Conference April 3, 6, 7, and 8; closes for summer July 29; reopens September 5. Closes for the conference September 28, 29 and 30 reopening October 3; closes November 23; reopens January, 1951.

The Logan temple closes for conference April 6, 7, 8, and 9; closes February 22, May 30, July 4, July 24; closes for summer August 4, reopens September 11; closes for Conference September 29 and 30, October 1; also November 11 and 23. Closes for year December 15, 1950, reopens January 2, 1951.

The Manti temple closes for Conference April 5, 6, and 7; also May 30, July 4 and July 24; closes for summer July 28; reopens September 5; closes for October Conference September 29; also closes November 30 and December 1. Closes for year December 22, and reopens January 2, 1951.

The St. George temple closes July 4; closes for summer July 15; reopens September 5; closes November 30. Closes for year December 22 and reopens January 2, 1951.

The Salt Lake temple closes on February 11 and 22; closes for the General Conference, April 6, 7 and 8; also May 30. Closes for summer June 30, reopens September 14; closes September 4 and for General Conference September 29, 30 and October 1. Closes October 12 and November 23; reopens November 27. Closes for year December 15 and reopens January 2, 1951.

Alameda County DUP

The Alameda county camps of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers met at the home of Daughter Wanda Harmon of Cragmont avenue, Berkeley, January 12, 1950.

A meeting January 30 honored those who worked for and secured the State Registered Landmarks at Ripon and Mossdale in San Joaquin county.

It was noted that these are only spots marked commemorating the "Mormons" of 103 years ago. They are also the only landmarks of "Mormon" participation in creating California before the discovery of gold in the state, and before the constitution of the state of Deseret (Utah May, 1949) or the Constitution of California.

AGGREGATE CLUB

Are you lonely? Do you feel left out at socials? The "Aggregates club" was organized for you. Composed principally of unmarried adults, the club meets weekly in Alameda ward recreation hall, 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, Grand and Encinal avenue.

Games, programs, dancing, both old fashioned and modern with a few folk dances thrown in for variety, community singing, etc. Everyone has fun, please come.

For information call LA 4-2757.

An Adjustment of Advertising Rates in the Messenger seems inevitable to keep in line with other publications and higher costs.

Therefore the Messenger's rate, beginning with the April issue, will be \$1.50 per column inch in ads of the current rate of \$1.25.

Since 1946 the Messenger circulation has increased from 2790 to 3500.



Full-time missionaries of the Northern California Mission assigned to labor in the east and west San Francisco bay area as they were assembled in conference at the Oakland ward chapel, Saturday, January 21, 1950. Left to right, first row: District President Kent Bennion; Mission President Thomas Gardner, Sister Gardner, Elder Duane Call; second row: Elders Daryl Talbot, Wesley Wooten, Wade Dewey, C. R. Reid; third row, Elders W. B. Speakman, G. E. Fullmer, Wilbert Bentley, Bert Tennsmeyer and Kenneth Bennion.

—photo by Wilford E. Pennock.

Yours for Health and Strength

By BROTHER JONATHAN

Probably everyone as some time makes resolutions at the beginning of the year; but regardless of when you make your resolutions, it is never too late to make one concerning your health. Maybe you are in the best of health now. If so, make a resolution to stay that way. If you do not feel as you want to then make a resolution to get into condition so that you will "feel fit." This year can be your banner year for good health if you will only make it so, but the way you feel depends on what you do. You are responsible for your own physical condition.

If you are not feeling as you should, go away with all those little things that cause you so much discomfort such as headaches, colds, nervousness, lack of pep, listlessness, and those all unnecessary aches and pains. If the need to gain weight is your problem, then begin doing the things that will help you put on those needed pounds. You will soon notice an improvement in the way you feel. If you need to lose weight, then do it the right way. Never try to reduce by just starving yourself.

No matter what your present condition is you will find yourself feeling better by eating the proper foods, doing the proper exercises, and getting sufficient rest along with the many other things that contribute to better health. Resolve to "feel fit." It is well worth the trouble.

I shall be very happy to answer any question you may have regarding health from a physical culture standpoint. Please enclose a self addressed, stamped envelope with your question. Address all letters to Brother Jonathan in care of Brother Jonathan's Healthorium, 3783 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland 11, California.

Mother-Daughter Gala

A delightful affair was the Oakland Stake Girl's party for their mothers held in Alameda chapel, January 19, 1949, and called the "Mother-Daughter Gala."

Under the general chairmanship of Mimi Candland, the party was an invitational, giving the girl's a chance to compose lovely rhymes as dainty invitations. The special talk on the theme of the evening, "Personal charm," was charmingly given by Irma Smith.

The musical program of the evening included such artists as Estralla Olszowska who sang two solos, Donna Carter with the two piano selections, and Ernestine Reidel who presented two violin numbers. Lola Stam pleased all with her dance numbers, after which Ruth Nelson gave a delightful reading. Light refreshments served in the style of a "tea" concluded the pleasant memories of a perfect evening for both mothers and daughters.

Berkeley Stake Sweetheart Ball

A special feature of the annual Sweetheart Ball of the Berkeley Stake MIA at the Scottish Rite ballroom, on the shore of Lake Merritt, Friday February 10 will be a surprise intermission program with talent of unusual entertaining capabilities, according to Jay Brown, in charge of arrangements.

This year's Sweetheart Ball is being held in the Scottish Rite ballroom in order to accommodate comfortably the large number of couples who attend this popular event. No other ballroom of sufficient size is available.

Fine music will be furnished for the dancing by Maury Peterson's special orchestra. Special decorations are being planned under the direction of Ardell Kay president of the YWMA. Refreshments will be served during intermission.

Several ward groups are organizing special transportation parties to assure a large attendance and that none may be disappointed due to a lack of transportation. What is your ward doing? It's a generous way to assure a really fine time for your ward members.

L. R. Jackson



A Farewell Testimonial was held in the Dimond Ward on January 3, 1950, for Louis R. Jackson. Elder Jackson entered the LDS Mission Home, January 9, 1950 from which he will leave for the Uruquin Mission.

150 Elders Need Beds and Meals, February 8, 9, 10

Oakland chapel will be headquarters for the Northern California Mission Conference February 8, 9, and 10 1950 under the direction of President Thomas Gardner.

Word has been sent out near by wards regarding the need of these grand young men for beds for two nights, and breakfast and the evening meals. Good Samaritans may contact either the bishop or better phone Elder-Bennion Kellog 4-4031.

Volume IV.

What is the Gift Of the Holy Ghost?

Speaking before the largest conference, 1957, of any previous Berkeley stake meeting, Marion G. Romney declared that the gift of the Holy Ghost is to have the companionship of a divine person, and without this no man can know that Jesus is the Christ. Recalling the survey of hundreds of ministers made by the late Senator Beveridge, and the showing that none of them was positive that Jesus was the divine son of Mary, the speaker affirmed that no minister can say that he knows that Jesus is the Christ, because none of them has received the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Reminding his audience that Joseph Smith had said that the saints who kept themselves close to the Lord would feel, from time to time, "strokes of intelligence coming into their minds," Elder Romney said that even some LDS do not have the Holy Ghost as they should have.

If we live close to God we shall know that "all things are done in the wisdom of Him who knoweth all things," and, he continued, we shall know that when God says anything he KNOWS, and make no mistakes. "How wonderful if we could only act in this omniscient wisdom! We can, yes, we can by keeping near to God and having the Holy Ghost to enlighten us."

The speaker illustrated this by the young missionaries going into large cities seeking the few that have no way of finding these few among the teeming millions, but the Holy Ghost knows.

"I have experienced this myself. On my mission to Australia I labored in Newcastle where there were only two saints. Going from door to door no one listened, and I became discouraged. I went alone on the hillside under some trees and prayed with all my heart to God, saying, 'Surely there are some earnest seekers here. Send me the Holy Ghost to guide me.'"

"Next day things began to happen and people came to me, and I found sincere souls; soon there were 18 or 20 investigators, and a branch of the church was built there."

Elder Romney closed by saying that God is particular. He will not be with disobedient ones, but will surely stay by and aid the humble and the obedient. He summarized the two things that are needed to get the Holy Ghost:

1. Be more prayerful; drive (Continued on page eight)

Oak. Stake News

PRIMARY ASSOCIATION

The Trail Builders of the stake, with both their fathers or mothers, will be honored at a party March 10 in Hayward ward chapel in charge of the Stake Primary Board.

Primary Conference will be held in Salt Lake City, April 4 and 5. Union meeting for the Primary ward and stake workers will be held in the Elmhurst chapel, 17 March.

At the Stake Primary Board meeting at Lucile Schow's in Alameda, Feb., Mavis Humphreys of Dimond ward gave a very enlightening lesson on the Book of Mormon which will be the basis of the year's Primary study. Three former board members, Alta McClay, Chairman Vause and Beth Egertsen, were honored and another board member, Leah Fincher, recognized since the day was her birthday.

RELIEF SOCIETY

The Stake Relief Society on March 4 will do the long-needed thing, that is give a party and dinner in honor of the older members of the seven wards, those of 65 and up. Over 200 are expected to attend.

Twenty-seven boxes of the best clothing obtainable were shipped to Japan to Pres. Vinal Mauss by Hilda Perkins and her stake board and the societies of the seven wards. Several new quilts and many blankets besides much clothing, and shoes, etc., were cleaned and neatly packed for 60 orphaned Japanese children in the care of a Japanese member of the Church.

We are proud of the charitable work of our women. Iola Shumway of Maricopa Stake, Arizona, has sent a letter of appreciation for the 18 sacks of coats, dresses, shoes, etc., she has received from Oakland Stake for the destitute Indians.

The rummage sale of the Stake board helped much financially. Without that cash the heavy expense of shipping so much clothing would have been prohibitive. All this foresight is a testimony of the inspiration of our leaders.

In fact enough cash was turned over to the stake president, Delbert Wright, to pay for furnishing and refinishing the Relief Society storage and work room at the Welfare Center. Another wonderful improvement is being made there, new cabinets and show cases.

At the last Relief Society stake board meeting a luncheon was enjoyed honoring our stake Relief Society science leader, Marjorie Nielson, who now has moved to Santa Monica, and Lila Graham, who has asked for a release after five years of faithful service as magazine director.

The ward Relief Societies are planning excellent programs at the ward Sacramento meetings, Sunday March 5.

WELFARE WORK

President Delbert F. Wright (Continued on page five).

Berkeley, California, March, 1950

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Liahona Club News



Before a room full of Liahona diners the February 27th session of the Liahona club elected officers for the year ahead and made important decisions regarding building plans and financing of the proposed Liahona Lodge at the club's new 10-acre club site on the Stanislaus river.

Accepting the report of a nominating committee headed by Herb Van Noy, the club re-elected A. D. Erickson president for another year and gave him as vice presidents, Don Alphin and Curt Millward, and elected Dennis Lauper, secretary, and Charles E. Mills treasurer.

Pres. Erickson passed among the members an architectural drawing of the proposed lodge as modified to meet suggestions of the January meeting. After an interesting discussion of a plan to build at cost and sell for profit a cottage in the east bay in order to raise an estimated \$2500 to \$3000 towards the cost of the lodge on the Stanislaus, a committee of three was appointed by the chair and empowered to proceed with the cottage construction. The committee consists of Jos. C. Eyring, chairman, Curt Millard, B. Ball and San Scott with Curt Bybee advisors.

The club adopted a motion to the effect that it is the sentiment of the club that club members now pay to the club treasurer \$25 or more towards their first year allotment for the lodge project, this first year's fund now to be available as needed to finance the proposed cottage erection or lot purchase therefore.

Finally, the club expressed its general sentiment for a future modification of the constitution of the club so as to enlarge club membership to 200 by making eligible owners and operators of their own business, and all professional people, and also officers and executives of both private and public corporations (not including city or state corporations).

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WELFARE WORK
President Delbert F. Wright
(Continued on page five).

Kieth Stephens Leaves For Great Lakes Mission

On Wednesday evening, March 1, 1950, a farewell testimonial was held for Kieth Leon Stephens at the Dimond Ward Chapel, 3618 Dimond Avenue, Oakland, California.

Elder Stephens entered the LDS Missionary Home on Monday, March 6, 1950 for a short period of



instructions prior to leaving for the Great Lakes Mission. A graduate of Fremont High school and an employee of the Oakland Tribune, Elder Stephens was serving as the secretary of the Fourth Quorum of Elders, Dimond Ward, Oakland Stake, at the time of his call.

The parents of Elder Stephens are Marion G. and Estella Nielson Stephens. Brother "M. G." (as he is known by his friends) is a member of the Liahona Club and is a prominent LDS businessman in both Oakland and Alameda.

Elder Bruce L. Morgan

Elder Bruce L. Morgan, our Alameda ward missionary, reports from our rival stake of Florida that the people there are the best he ever met. He traveled east from Salt Lake City with a large number of missionaries filling three cars which were so designated



ed on the outside of the cars. These were divided and subdivided until Bruce found himself a lone missionary going to Miami. He has toured the district with the presiding elder, and slept one night in his car.

While the basketball games are enjoyed by Bruce each Wednesday evening, the regular speaking at all Church gatherings still has him worried.

He had to lead the singing at the first meeting and hence suggests that all young people learn singing, and also to know something about public speaking before they arrive in the mission field.

LeRoy B. Gardner has recently opened an attractive real estate office at 1543 Statute avenue, Berkeley, near Vine. He will pay concentrated attention to the pilgrimage should clear names by April 1, and immediately notify Albert Dietliker, 14 Carmel Ave., El Cerrito, Calif.

